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The Act is, in its essence, composed of the law which is administered in the Courts of England. In fact, many parts of the English Wills Act of 1837 are copied literally. For example, the provision as to revocation by "burning, tearing, or otherwise destroying" is the same in both acts. On the other hand, there are some striking departures from the English law; such as the provision in regard to ademption which gives to a legatee a bequest notwithstanding a subsequent provision made for him by settlement or otherwise. In addition to the commentaries upon the Wills Act of 1870, the book contains a like treatment of the Probate and Administration Act of 1881. It thus comprises a complete exposition of the Hindu law relating to wills, and should be of considerable assistance to the Indian student and practitioner.

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**THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM.** By Westel W. Willoughby. New York: The Century Co. 1904. pp. 318. 8vo.

This little book might well have been called "Some Questions in American Constitutional Law." It is chiefly concerned with the history and solution of the salient constitutional problems which have vexed our political thinkers. Some of these questions are already closed, some barely opening, all of them are interesting. Professor Willoughby's book does not give one any well-proportioned knowledge of the morphology and functioning of the American States' governmental organs; but it may well serve as a useful supplement to a more descriptive text-book. In fact, it is intended as the introduction to a series of volumes which are to deal with the "American State" in greater detail. The bulk of the book is a wealth of quotations from the United States Supreme Court reporter, which at times, when joined in lengthy succession, become more or less tedious. Still, since these are sources as well as expositions, they lend the book the peculiar interest of authoritativeness, and make it remarkably definite, considering its brevity and scope. The argument proceeds in a naturally logical sequence which makes it easy to follow and to understand. The author has, all in all, succeeded in making interesting his discussion of the older controversies, and in giving a clear and timely treatment to the problems of living interest.

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